

in the election of Dr. J. A. Hodges, of Fayetteville, and Dr. Julian M. Baker, of Tarboro.

INSPECTION OF THE MORGANTON ASYLUM.

During the month of October two members of the Board made a tour of sanitary inspection to the Western Insane Asylum, viz.: Dr. Henry T. Bahnson and Mr. J. L. Ludlow.

During the month of August, by invitation of the Teachers' Assembly, Dr. J. A. Hodges was invited to address the Assembly.

Dr. J. W. Jones' term as a member, and as President of the Board, having expired, it became necessary to elect a presiding officer, which was done by correspondence, resulting in the election of Dr. Henry T. Bahnson, of Salem, for President.

The next general meeting of the Board took place at Oxford, 28th May. Present, Dr. H. T. Bahnson, President; Dr. J. H. Tucker, Prof. F. P. Venable, Dr. J. A. Hodges, Dr. J. M. Baker, Dr. Richard H. Lewis, Dr. Thomas F. Wood.

CONJOINT SESSION WITH THE MEDICAL SOCIETY AT OXFORD.

The conjoint session was called to order by the President, who said he had prepared no set address, but wished on behalf of the Board of Health to state a few matters of moment to the Society, and more particularly to the Board.

We come before the Society in a measure as beggars. Each member of the Society, from the fact that the Board is a creature of its making from its very infancy, must take more or less interest in the affairs of the Board. Without the co-operation of the Society, and especially the individual members, the Board of Health, according to the present legislation, is practically powerless. We are merely advisory, not executive. Our powers are limited, and our appropriations still more limited.

To properly reach the laity throughout the State, on whom our efficiency entirely depends, we must look to the Society for aid and support. He wished to speak of two points in that connection:

First. The absolute necessity of more efficient means of collecting the nature of prevalent diseases, vital statistics, etc., throughout the differ-